

10/26/77

Dear Paul,

Your 10/18 does include the record I had and can't find. Thanks.

If your rather careful optimism ~~of~~ about the House assassins turns out to be justified it will be a pleasant surprise to me.

I have no special interest in them because I can't find time for what is more important to me. However, people do send me things, I am asked by the press and a certain amount is incidental to other work, so over a period of time I have accumulated a fair amount of information about them and what they are and have been up to. Garrison at his worst was no worse, no more irresponsible.

I also learned from the Garrison experience that it is impossible to turn such people around so I'm not trying with these nuts.

They are even following up behind Garrison, as with Tommy Beckham.

They have turned these types over to Lane. After Srpague left, too.

You do your thing with them. I'm staying as separated as I can get.

I'm sorry it is this way but one Garrison experience was too much. Because of the difference in level this characters represent they will do much more harm. Have already.

I'm having to spend about all my time on ^{ing} work so if there is anything re JFK you think I should know I'd appreciate being informed. There is a minor government industry of not complying with my FOIA requests. You may very well receive what I do not. I've received personal records in which it is specific, non-compliance was ordered and proved by Hoover. I must have more than 50 not complied with in periods ranging from at least two to more than 8 years.

If and when you receive anything i you could let Jim or me know what it is by the kind of list you usually make he will find time to use it in court. There are also some middle-level people in DJ who want the Act complied with if only to reduce the tremendous waste of time non-compliance has cost the government. We are in touch with them. Here, too, such info can be of value to Jim. He has made other info available to those seeking to reduce the possibilities of negating the Act. As you might expect this has become a major executive-agency effort.

Little else new.

Best wishes,